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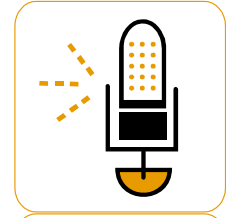
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About the Board

The Delaware Board of Examiners of Psychologists works to protect the public through regulating the practice of psychology in Delaware. The Board performs a number of functions to accomplish this goal. One of these functions is review of applications to take the Examination for Professional Practice in Psychology (EPPP). The EPPP is a national exam which is a prerequisite for licensure as a psychologist. The Board reviews applications for initial licensure as a psychologist or psychological assistant, and licensure through reciprocity to ensure that applicants meet the legal qualifications as required by the licensing statute. Delaware has high standards for its licensed psychologists and psychological assistants and the Board ensures that the standards are met.

When a complaint is filed by the Attorney General's office against a psychologist, the Board will schedule a hearing. The hearing is done in deposition format with a court reporter recording the testimony of the complainant and respondent, as well as that of witnesses for both sides. The Board is represented by a Deputy Attorney General to ensure that the process follows legal guidelines. The respondent has the right to present evidence at the hearing on his or her behalf, to be represented by counsel at his or her expense, and to appear personally or by other representative. The respondent may request the Board to issue subpoenas for the attendance of witnesses and for the production of documents. The Board bases its decision upon the application and the evidence received at the hearing. The purpose of this process is to ensure protection to the public. After hearing all testimony, the Board decides on recommendations about the situation. The goal of any decision is to make sure that the public can have confidence in psychologists and the practice of psychology in Delaware.

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Online License Verifications

The Division of Professional Regulation is working on making several online services available to its professional licensees. One new service is online license verifications. You can verify a licensee's name, license number, license type, license status, issue date, expiration date and public disciplines all from your computer 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

To verify a license, simply visit the Division's website and click on [Verify License Online](#). You can search the licensee database by last name, license number, license type, county, city, state or zip code.

Change Contact Information Online

Another service the Division of Professional Regulation now offers is the ability for a licensee to change his or her contact information online. It is **extremely** important that the Division has current contact information for each licensee.

To change your contact information online, visit the Division of Professional Regulation [website](#), and click on [Change Contact Information Online](#). After you register for a User ID and Password, you will be able to change your address, phone number and email address at your convenience.

Other Online Enhancements

As of January 2006, Board [agendas and approved Minutes](#) are posted on the State's online meeting calendar.

Have you lost or misplaced your license certificate? You can [request a duplicate license](#) online and pay the fee by credit card.

A list of miscellaneous fees can be found by on the Division's [website](#).

Online License Renewals

How will it work? Around the first week of May 2007, you will receive a notice from the Division of Professional Regulation. This notice will be your only renewal notification. You will then be able to go to the Division's website, log on to Online License Services and renew online. To renew online, you must pay the renewal fee by credit card.

What paperwork will I send in? When you renew online, no paperwork is required. You will attest electronically that you have completed your continuing education (CE).

What if I do not have access to the internet? You may call the number on the renewal notice to request a paper renewal application to be mailed to the address on file with the Division.

Will there be an audit? Yes. After the renewal period is over, the Board will conduct a random audit of CE. Those selected for audit will be required to submit certificates of completion to the Board.

Is it secure? Yes. The Division's website uses the same security as banking institutions.

Voluntary Treatment Option (VTO)

The Delaware Board of Examiners of Psychologists is one of the 27 boards within the Division of Professional Regulation that participates in the VTO Program. Eligible licensed psychologists or psychological assistants with chemical dependency or impairment can access this confidential assistance program for treatment.



The program provides an alternative, non-disciplinary approach for licensees who have not committed an offense, other than the status of being chemically dependent or impaired, which would constitute grounds for discipline under Section 3509, of the Psychology statute.

A licensee can self-refer or a third party can refer confidentially. You can download an application and referral form at the Division of Professional Regulation's website at www.dpr.delaware.gov and click on the Voluntary Treatment Option link.

How does the process work?

- Submit an [application/referral form](#) to the Division of Professional Regulation.
- Complete an assessment with a licensed provider within 30 days of notification of eligibility.
- If treatment is recommended, meet with Division and Board designees to sign an agreement, which outlines treatment plan and practice limitations, if any.
- Access the prescribed level of treatment with licensed provider.

Program Benefits

- Provides access to treatment for impaired professionals.
- Protects the public.
- Promotes early intervention.
- Enables the licensee to continue to practice provided they comply with the VTO agreement and do not commit any professional infractions.

You may contact the Program Coordinator at (302) 744-4503 or by email at kay.warren@state.de.us or contact the Board's VTO designee, Merris Hollingsworth, Ph.D., through the Board's office at (302) 744-4539.

Public Disciplinary Actions

Name	License Number	Action	Date of Order
Dr. Kevin Keough	B1-0000293	Suspension	December 5, 2005
Dr. Barbara Dambach	B1-0000134	Suspension	September 11, 2006
Dr. Michael Moss	B1-0000587	Letter of Reprimand	September 11, 2006